

House Resolution 1286

By: Representatives Holmes of the 61st, Thomas of the 55th, Kaiser of the 59th, Howard of the 121st, Frazier of the 123rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda and declaring the
2 week of February 10-16, 2008, as "FBLA-PBL Week" in the State of Georgia; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America concept was begun in 1937 by
5 Dr. Hamden L. Forkner, then chairman of the Commercial Education Department of the
6 Teachers College of Columbia University and was accepted for official sponsorship in 1940
7 by the National Council for Business Education; and

8 WHEREAS, 16 years after the first high school chapter was chartered in Johnson City,
9 Tennessee, Phi Beta Lambda became an independent division of the Future Business Leaders
10 of America; and

11 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc., is a nonprofit
12 career and technical student organization that prepares students for careers in business and
13 business education with 250,000 members and advisers in 12,000 chartered chapters
14 including representatives from the United States, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and
15 Europe; and

16 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda's mission is to bring
17 business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative
18 leadership and career development programs; and

19 WHEREAS, some of the most notable alumni include singer Johnny Mathis, NFL
20 quarterback Troy Aikman, former Governor of Mississippi Ronnie Musgrove, and former
21 First Lady Patricia Nixon who was an FBLA adviser during her years as a high school
22 teacher; and

1 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Technical College chapter of Phi Beta Lambda serves the students
2 of metropolitan Atlanta to prepare them for careers in business and business education.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body recognize the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta
5 Lambda, Inc., and declare the week of February 10-16, 2008, as "FBLA-PBL Week" in the
6 State of Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Atlanta Technical College
9 and Stephanie Sherrer, President, Phi Beta Lambda Chapter 9720.